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Second Fleet Officer Nominated for Flag Rank

Norfolk, Va. - Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced Tuesday that the President has nominated California, Md. resident Navy Reserve Capt. Scott E. Sanders for appointment to the grade of rear admiral (lower half).

A 1980 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Sanders currently serves as the Maritime Ballistic Missile Defense Officer for the U.S. Second Fleet. He is a five-year veteran of active duty Naval service, and has served nearly twenty years in the Naval Reserve.

“It’s an honor and a privilege to be considered for this awesome responsibility,” Sanders said. “As a component of the larger Navy, I believe reservists provide a unique perspective – they are a conduit bringing a clearer picture of America’s local communities to the Navy and a larger national perspective to our local communities.”

In his civilian capacity, Sanders is a vice president for Wyle Laboratories in Lexington Park, Md. He is married and has two adult children.

The nomination was published with the names of thirteen other nominees.